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FOLLOWING ISAN UPDATE OF CHRONOLOGY OF EMBASSY ACTIONS
IN FRONCZAK CASE:

AUG 2-4: CONSUL DANIELS, CCS CHIEF, ON VISIT TO
CHILPANCINGO, DISCUSSED CASE WITH GOVERNOR OF
GUERRERO. HE WAS INFORMED THAT SEARCH FOR
MISSING SUSPECTS CONTINUES. ATTORNEY GENERAL
ACOSTA PROMISED TO COME TO MEXICO CITY AND BRING
COPIES OF CONFESSIONS OF THE TWO POLICEMEN AND
BALLISTIC EVIDENCE THAT BULLET FOUND IN BODY OF
SEMELROTH CAME FROM GUN OF ONE OF THE POLICE-
MEN IN CUSTODY.

AUG 4: AMBASSADOR RECEIVED REPLY TO HIS LETTER DATED
JULY 16 TO JULIO HIRSCHFIELD ALMADA, SECRETARY
OF TOURISM, STATING HE IS CONTACTING
COMPETENT AUTHORITIES AT ONCE ASKING THAT
STEPS BE TAKEN TO PREVENT SIMILAR OCCURRENCES
IN THE FUTURE.

AUG 6: AMBASSADOR WROTE SR. FAUSTO ZAPATA LOREDO,
FORMER PRESS SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT

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ECHEVERRIA, GIVING A SUMMARIZATION OF THE

FRONCZAK CASE AND DESCRIBING THE HIGH LEVEL
INTEREST IN THE US GENERATED BY THIS CASE.

AUG 6: MINISTER INFORMED BY UNDER-SECRETARY
GALLASTEGUI OF FOREIGN RELATIONS THAT HE HAS
REVIEWED THE CASE WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.
STRESSED THAT CASE MUST BE SOLVED, AND WILL
SEE THAT EFFORTS ARE RENEWED TO DO SO. PROM-
ISED HIS FULL SUPPORT TO THE USG.

AUG 12: AMBASSADOR RECEIVED REPLY TO HIS LETTER OF
JULY 16 FROM LIC. MIGUEL ALEMAN, FORMER
PRESIDENT OF MEXICO AND CURRENTLY PRESIDENT
OF NATIONAL TOURIST COMMISSION. ALEMAN
STATED HE HAS INTERCEDED WITH OFFICIALS IN
STATE OF GUERRERO, INSISTING THAT EVERYTHING
IN THEIR POWER BE DONE TO SOLVE THE FRONCZAK-
SEMMELOTH CASE.

AUG 16: CONOFF MORROW IN ACAPULCO ON REGULAR PRISON
VISIT MADE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT
OFFICIALS TO ASCERTAIN IF ANY NEW DEVELOP-
MENTS.

AUG 18: TELCON WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL LIC. ACOSTA WHO
STATED THAT HE EXPECTED TO COME TO MEXICO
CITY WITHIN THE WEEK AND TO CALL AT EMBASSY.

AUG 26: PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA, IN A SPEECH AT TUXTLA
GUTIERREZ, REFERRED TO THE FORNCZAK CASE
(THOUGH NOT BY NAME) AND THE ATTACK IN US
ON MEXICAN BRACEROS. STATED EVERY EFFORT
MUST BE MADE BY NOT ONLY THE GOVERNMENTS
BUT AT EVERY SOCIAL LEVEL TO ESTABLISH
BETTER FIRENDRSHIP. THIS MENTION MAY HAVE
BEEN RESULT OF AMBASSADOR'S LETTER TO FAUSTO
ZAPATA.

AUG 27: TELCON WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL ACOSTA IN
MEXICO CITY STATING THAT HE WAS WILLING TO
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CIRCULATE PHOTOS OF MRS. FRONCZAK; ALSO THAT
THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT WAS AGREEABLE TO OFFER-
ING A REWARD FOR ANY LEADS. (NOTE: ALTHOUGH
LIC. ACOSTA HAD EARLIER PROMISED HE WOULD
CALL AT THE EMBASSY, HE REPORTED LATER HE
WAS UNABLE TO DO SO DUE TO PRESS OF
BUSINESS.

AUG 30: AMBASSADOR RECEIVED REPLY TO HIS LETTER OF JULY 26 TO GOVERNOR OF GUERRERO STATE, STATING THAT HE LAMENTED THE FACT THE SEMMELROTH-FRONCZAK CASE HAD NOT BEEN SOLVED; THAT FROM THE BEGINNING THE STATE AUTHORITIES HAD UNDERTAKEN A CAREFUL INVESTIGATION, AND AS THE AMBASSADOR HAD REQUESTED, HAD DISCUSSED WITH CONSUL DANIELS THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER INVESTIGATION. IN ADDITION, IMPROVEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE IN THE POLICE FORCE AND HE HOPED FOR A CONCLUSION TO THE CASE WHICH WOULD BE SATISFACTORY TO SOCIETY IN GENERAL AND THE FAMILIES OF SEMMELROTH AND FRONCZAK.

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